

The Church of God Evangel

"And when the day of Pentecost was fully come they were all with one accord in one place." Acts 2:1. "And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost and began to speak with other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance." Acts 2:4

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THE EVANGEL IS NOT TO CARRY ADVERTISEMENTS! SEE BELOW!

GREATER THINGS AHEAD WE WILL TELL YOU ABOUT LATER WHEN DEVELOPED MORE FULLY

GOING THROUGH WITH A BOUND

Experience and Faith and Power
Bound to Bring Success.

Look Out For a Cloud-
burst of God's
Power and
Glory.

A sudden leap! A sudden bound forward in the realms of faith! At times crouching and slipping along almost afraid to speak, and wishing to be quiet and unnoticed. Feeling restless and serene when certain hours passed, but with heaviness sufficient to crush the strongest man unless upheld by God's power when certain other hours rolled round. Not knowing when the crash might come, but hoping for an upward turn of events that would forever settle the swarm of fears and wonders that beat and banged about week after week.

A story is told of "Poor Joe." Some one had said to him, "Poor Joe, you are a human boy, my friend, a human boy. Oh, glorious to be a human boy!"

But the speaker did not know of the struggles playing up and down in poor Joe's breast at that very moment. "Poor Joe's" boyhood was such a hard one. "I've always been a-moving and a-moving on ever since I was born," he said to a policeman who had just urged him to move on down the street. "Where can I possibly move to, sir, more nor I do move? I'm worried to skin and bones now a-movin' and a-movin' with no place to stop—no home—no resting place."

Now the story of Joseph, who was sold by his brothers, comes rushing up. First a slave, then a servant, finally in prison for a crime he never committed, forgotten by one he had favored, but after long years of trouble and confinement he was exalted to such high positions that would almost seem like dreamland and fairy stories.

How many lives are looked upon as worthless by the unthought and busy people of earth. "What countless numbers among the world's great men have never known that it was glorious to be a human boy!" wrote one who told the story of the early life of Henry M. Stanley.

"Henry M. Stanley, who found Livingston, who rescued Emin Pasha, and whose explorations remade the map of Africa, was another 'unfortunet.' His father died soon after his birth, and before he was five years old Henry was placed by an uncle in the workhouse, where he suffered the most cruel, brutal treatment. He had never heard about his mother, but one day a woman visitor was pointed out to him as his mother. 'I started with a burning face, and directed a shy glance at her,' he said long afterward, 'but perceived she was regarding me with a look of cool, critical scrutiny. I had expected to feel a gush of tenderness towards her, but her expression was so chilly that the valves of my heart closed with a snap.' Henry finally ran away from the work house, but none of his relatives would keep him, and he shipped as a cabin boy on a vessel bound for New Orleans, where he was once more brutally treated. At New Orleans he ran away again, and

seeing a pleasant looking man standing in front of a store he asked him if he did not want a boy. This gentleman afterwards adopted him and gave him the name which he made so famous."

Who knows but a noble heart may be beating beneath a ragged coat that is seen slowly passing by! I'll not soon forget some of my boyhood experiences that I never take time to relate. It is said that once "in a remote district of Wales a baby boy lay dangerously ill. The widowed mother walked five miles in the night through drenching rain to get a doctor. The doctor hesitated about making the unpleasant trip. Would it pay? he questioned. He would receive no money for his services, and, besides, if the child's life were saved he would no doubt become only a poor laborer. But love for humanity and professional duty conquered, and the little life was saved. Years after, when this same child—Lloyd George—became Chancellor of the Exchequer, the old doctor said, 'I never dreamt that in saving the life of that child on the farm hearth I was saving the life of the national leader of Wales.'"

The Church of God has had a stormy career from its very earliest existence. Almost as soon as she was born on the Judean hills she began her rough experiences. Despised and torn, her leaders beaten, bruised, imprisoned and slain. Many of her members were chased from valley to hill and made their homes in the caves and holes of the rocks. How many of them lived, the hardships and sufferings they endured have never been told. But enough has been recorded so imaginative minds can get a glimmering view of what multitudes had to suffer and endure in that early time.

The same Church in its reconstructive days is not enduring the hardness in the same way as in earlier days—her leaders have not been slain, only a few beaten and imprisoned thus far, but she has her aches and ills that are equally hard to endure, and probably not less embarrassing to those who fully understand. How often it could be said in similar words spoken by that worn out runaway boy who had suffered such torture that he probably longed to die, "Do you not want a boy?" None but those in the front of the battle can understand such expressions. I wonder if there is not a pleasant looking face somewhere that has already been politely addressed by the Holy Spirit who is just as faithfully guiding the vessel now as when James, the Lord's brother, sat in the executive chair.

Think of the little fellow who had been spoken to by the big policeman urging him to keep moving on, "worried to skin and bones." Will anything good ever come to such unfortunates? Is there any use trying to uphold and dress up and take care of the little offscourings of the earth? Many look upon the Church of God with disdain like they would glance at a little street urchin. Is she worth dressing up? Should she be given beautiful garments to put on? A young man said to his wife one day after passing a beautifully dressed young woman whose smiles were attractive and conversation pleasant,

"I wish you could look neat and pleasant like she does." His wife replied, "Just put the costly dress and trimmings to me and I'll show you." And he did, and soon he thought he had the best, most attractive and sweetest wife he ever saw.

This illustration is not meant to encourage the use of costly dress and fine apparel, but doubtless many noble men and women have been reduced to such extreme poverty that they keenly feel such extreme embarrassment that they never can be what they would were they able to make a better appearance. Isaiah cries out and gives orders for the Church to rise and shine and commands her to put on her beautiful garments. Then to be attractive she must rise above embarrassment. Her members must catch the spirit of going through with a bound. I get so much of this some times that it seems I can stem the tide of the hardest oppositions. Sometimes when the battle seems the hottest and the clouds appear the thickest I throw my hand and stamp my foot and declare we have got to win—we are going through with a bound.

What was it that worked in the heart of young David that kept him up while he had to live in that cave down below Bethlehem his native home? Why didn't he withdraw from the fight with Saul? He could have done differently, could he not, and not have created such cruel jealousy and hatred in Saul. What is it that kept him going in a certain direction till Saul died and he ascended the throne? It seemed that he could not keep from it. Every move he made brought him nearer, and every blow struck by Saul weakened him and put him nearer destruction. What is it that keeps our ministers up? Why don't they quit preaching? They can never hope for earthly gain. Ofttimes they are tempted to give up their ministry and go into business, but for some reason they can't do it. There is an impelling power that urges them on. I know by experience. I've tried it many times—it would not work. What is the pay in working day and night in my office to keep the Evangel going and to get my duties attended to for the Church of God? Why do I want to stay here and take the criticisms, bear the responsibilities the financial pressure and everything that is heaped upon me? I don't know, but I can't back down. There is something about this that keeps us going through with a bound.

There was something back of David besides his own choice. There is something back of our ministers besides mere choice. Every true blue Church of God minister is under a spell of some kind. They would not make the sacrifices and endure the hardships and crosses, and take the abuses they do if they were not under the spell. I don't know what else to call it but a spell. There has something got hold of them that they cannot shake off. A few are going in to business and trying to work and preach, too, but that makes it all the worse for them. Some of them that undertake that lose their health, or meet with other misfortunes, and then after a while they come limping back and try to take up the work where they left off, but this is nearly always unsuccessful. If any of the preachers get out from under this spell so they can go back to secular work long they had just about as well stay there unless the spell comes on them again. And I

don't know how many will do any good in the ministry after they have played fast and loose with God awhile.

I would draw off tonight if I were left to myself, but that spell is still on and I am without strength to do it. I can do only one thing. It seems I am helpless to undertake anything else. I believe it is God that has put this spell on so many of us. I'm sure He has held me where I am. I would have fled many times but I could not get loose to start. But I am fully convinced that experience and faith and power are bound to bring success. Going through with a bound experience is stronger when the spell seems more intensified.

This is the gathering time. Multitudes of prayers are ascending the hill of the Lord! There is a constant expectancy among the people. They are looking for something great. The world is in a state of dread. They do not know the cause. They try to throw off the feeling by revelry, and business, but when they get quiet in the still hours of the night that dread is on them and they cannot escape it.

These conditions cannot always exist. The tensions are too tight to be lasting. There will come a break ere long, and who knows but it will be very sudden when it does come? Almost everything has about reached its limit. I am specially anxious for our people to be fully prepared and watching so they will not be taken by surprise. We must be ready to help others who are in distress and not have to have help ourselves. We must be prepared to act the part of a hero when the break comes.

We had just as well begin to look out for a cloud-burst of God's power and glory. This power will have an effect upon multitudes and come upon them so unexpectedly that they will need help. They will not listen now. We would tell them so they could be ready, but they will not hear us. They think we are beside ourselves and don't know, but when this cloud-burst gets in its powerful work they will gladly listen and we must be calm and self possessed so we can lend all the assistance that is needed. Doubtless it will come by waves and fall in sections and districts at first, but all will feel it more or less. Then when the fulness of time arrives the steady downpour will be doubly effective.

Already I have seen people frightened when the demonstrations of the Spirit were running high and the waves of glory were rolling and swelling with the tide. I've heard people say they did not believe in "scared religion." Call it scared religion or what not, but not many people get real experimental religion without some degree of seriousness takes possession of them caused by a fear of meeting God and the judgment without salvation through Christ. It is not until such an experience as this is reached that one can pray and confess in a manner required to reach the throne. Not until a godly sorrow takes possession of a soul can that soul pray through the overhanging clouds of doubt and fear and distress that create such a shadow that the effected soul feels something must be done. When the cloud-burst of God's power is falling and the people are dazed with its influence, then is the time for the Christian workers to work. Then will be our opportunity.

But suppose a number of our own people have to be

THE EVANGEL A GREAT WARRIOR

It is not Afraid of the Fight for it is Sure to
Win at Last.

Hairbreadth Escapes are Common.

When the Evangel first entered the battle field we fully expected it to be in the fight. We knew it would mean almost a continuous fight to make its way through the oppositions it would encounter. It has been going on so long that many think there is no danger of defeat. I have about concluded the same thing, but it is more faith than anything else that enables me to say as much.

Doubtless many are wondering about the results of the last great drive. All are interested in this drive. Many have lent a helping hand for which God will surely reward them. But the battle is not over yet. The drive is still on. We have fallen far short of the amount specified, but let me tell you right good that whatever amount has come has been of untold value in this tremendous onslaught of the powers of the enemy that have seemed to be so determined to wipe us off the map.

Truly we are greatly helped, but not relieved yet. The pressure is still on heavy. We pray every morning for God to give us relief, but so far no relief has come. Some may wonder why there is no relief when we have been helped so much, but the reason is just this: The help has been taking care of some of the little fragmentary skirmishes, but the fighting regulars of the special case that is so tremendously pressing us are not touched yet. The main hard fight is still on. I thought surely there would be some loans that would take care of that, but so far that part of the battle field is as hard as ever. The combatants seem to be locked together with a deadly grip. Nothing can break their hold. Backward and forward they sway. For a few moments the Evangel seems to make some gains and then the next moments the tide is turned and the dense gloom of defeat makes a tremendous charge which almost makes the watchers cry out in deep despair. But then there is a rallying of forces again and away goes the fight again with renewed energy and determination.

It is a long hard struggle, but the Evangel must win. It is a great warrior and has never lost a battle and does not know defeat. It must not be defeated now after a successful run so many years. It has stood faithfully for the high standard of Bible salvation against all odds. It will never compromise or lower the standard to gain popularity, but it is always trying to gain friends that it may be invited into new homes.

At the Assembly the question was raised about making the paper an advertising medium in order to increase the income to help pay expenses. The subject was discussed very freely but a decision was never reached, however, the matter was referred to the General Overseer and the Twelve Elders for consideration and final decision. These brethren gave much time in consideration of the subject and looked at it from every angle. Sometimes they nearly decided one way and sometimes the other. They were very careful and spent much time in prayer. But the final decision was not reached until quite recently when, with

unanimous consent, all agreed that it is best to let it run on as it has been for years without the advertisements. I believe this announcement will be hailed with joy everywhere.

We have been advised by a number of our friends to increase the subscription price rather than take in advertisements. Many have said they would rather pay two dollars a year than to see the paper go down or carry advertisements either. Well, we have decided to act upon the advice of our friends and raise the subscription price to \$1.50 per year in advance, beginning with the first of March. This will give the entire month of February for a special campaign for every body to renew at one dollar a year and get as many subscriptions as possible before the price goes up. I make this special proposition in order to give all who do not feel able to pay the advanced price to renew or subscribe for as long a time as they desire for the same old price, and also to bring us in some ready money which we have to have in February.

Now, if you like this proposition, break in and help us all you can. You can tell the people that they are getting a paper free from advertisements except the notices we give of the stock of books, tracts, etc. we carry ourselves, and the Bible school and other things specially in the interest of the Church of God. Commence now to solicit subscriptions. Do this for the benefit of others as well as to help the paper. Do it because you love the work and want to do something to help it along.

We are going to do our best to make the paper better than ever, and may, a little later, add another column. At any rate we will do our best to make it worth every thing you pay for it. We are going through the flint mill now, but by God's help we will come forth as gold tried in the fire all the better and brighter for the storm.

Truly this is a close time for us, but there is no giving up. We are digging deeper and bracing ourselves more thoroughly while the storm of battle is raging. We are gritting our teeth and pulling on with faith in a mighty God that conquers every foe. When He says this strain has gone far enough He will bid it cease. And when He speaks it will have to stop. Somebody will come forth with the money to lift the load. As this message flows out my heart is heaving and groaning under the tremendous strain and wondering what will fall heavier to-morrow. To-day has been all I can bear, but to-night I push on regardless of feelings with a determination to win not knowing what I will have to meet tomorrow. But my trust is in God.

Now please do not forget that the price of the Evangel will advance to one dollar and a half the first of March. Do your best for it at a dollar in February and help us put it in at least a thousand new homes by the first of March. We can do it if we all work at it, and this will be a great help at this time.

May God bless you all! Good night! I will have to go in and snatch a few hours of sleep so I can be fresh for service again tomorrow.

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field. If nothing else a postal card
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It seems that deeper and more
heart searching prayers are be-
ing prayed than ever before.
There must be something more
powerful coming soon.

When people stop and pray
and cry between their mail box
and the house it surely shows
there is something about to
break over. I trust it is a fresh
supply of God's blessings both
spiritual and temporal.

I am sure there are many
thousands of precious loving
saints holding on to God in
prayer for the Evangel. Their
good letters and loving dona-
tions lead me to believe this. I
can't tell you how much I ap-
preciate the interest shown in
this way. I'll tell you through
the paper as soon as the victory
is won so you can rejoice with
me.

Loans of any amount, small
or large, are wanted and as soon
as the amount is received we
send you a certificate as a
showing for the loan. These
loans have helped us over many
hard places, and yet they were
paid back when wanted ex-
cept a few instances when we
required a few days to make
the turns necessary to make
payment. But all lenders have
been satisfied up to date. Please
help us all you can. Every-
thing goes to work for the
Church of God. Many write
that they love to have their
money working for the Church
while they are not needing it
for present use.

My beloved friends and fel-
lowhelpers in the gospel, I ap-
peal once more to you, asking
you to help us in the February
subscription campaign. This
great paper is as much yours
as it is mine and I want you to
feel that way about it. The pa-
per belongs to the Church of
God and is no private property.
While you know this yet I feel
it is so good to remind you of it
occasionally. Please notice that
the subscription price jumps up
to one dollar and fifty cents the
first of March and this gives us
a month for a drive for renew-
als and new subscriptions at a
dollar a year. We need your help
in this drive and I am sure you
are greatly interested in it, too,
so I can depend upon you. We
need the money this campaign
will bring, and the people need
the paper and now is the time
to give them a chance to get it

before the price goes up. You
can tell them it will carry no
worldly advertisements, but
will be a clean and pure religi-
ous paper like it has been for
twelve years. You will have
many good arguments to pro-
duce now to persuade them to
subscribe. And you know the
paper ought to be in every
home in the land for the good
it will do. Now roll up your
sleeves and go into this thirty
day's drive for business. If you
want extra copies for your can-
vass write for them and we will
take pleasure in sending all
you want. God bless you. Re-
member I am depending upon
you in this mighty drive.

Going Through With a Bound

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helped at that time after they
have had years of experience
and plenty of time to get
thoroughly established, and
ought to be ready to help others.
The thought of this is
sickening. My spirit revolts
at the very thought of such a
thing. We must not allow them
to be so uninterested and, may I
say, slothful and careless, now
in these days of preparation for
the more mighty things so that
they will be a hindrance in-
stead of a help when this cloud-
burst of God's power and glory
falls. And this is one of my
reasons for keeping up my in-
spiration methods. I can't bear
for any one to lag behind in
experience. I love each one too
dearly to let them alone and
allow them to rock along in an
arm chair of ease and slum-
ber.

O God! May I never rest—
may my co-laborers never rest
until we have every member of
the Church so thoroughly
aroused and awakened and on
fire for God that the whole host
of us will be on the run going
through with a bound. We must
help one another now. Now is
the time to do this, but when
that great outpouring time
comes we must be ready to for-
get ourselves and help others.
We must be so accustomed to
the power that it will not slay
us, but that we may be able
to hold up and administer to
the needs of the slain around
us. In my vision I see our al-
tars filled with the slain of the
Lord and the members and
ministers of the Church of God
busy themselves among them
lending them all the assistance
they need.

I can't bear to see things
drag along. I feel that I am
doing a loving service for the
Master and the people too when
I can get them stirred up. Last
Sunday morning as we were in
Sunday school we were spend-
ing the usual half hour in sing-
ing, reading the responsive les-
son in the quarterlies, prayer,
review etc., one part of the ser-
vice took a dragging spell. I do
not know the reason, I did not
stop to enquire, but I stopped
everything a moment, I grabbed
the collection baskets and
tossed them up nearly to the
top of the house, jerked off my
coat and threw it down, pushed
up my sleeves, jumped up in a
chair and talked a few words
about doing business for God
and putting life into whatever
we are doing for God and by
the time I was through the
whole school of three-hundred
members were fired up so there
was no more drag that day.

I am just as interested in hav-
ing the entire membership of
the Church fired up as I was in
having that little crowd of three
hundred Sunday school scholars
fired up. If I could only get
around to all the local churches
—well, I had just as well not
finish the sentence for I can't
do it, but I want every local
church to feel through the
Evangel the fire that is burn-
ing me up. I don't see as I
cool down a particle with the
creeping on of age. If any dif-
ference I believe I am increas-
ing my speed and burning with
hotter zeal than ever. Out-
siders may offer criticism if
they want to, but we are firing
up and increasing our speed
with a view to going through
with a bound.

I want to encourage some of
the local churches to spur up a
little and keep up with the tide.
You feel that you are neglected,

but surely God is not neglecting
you. Many prayers are prayed
every day for you. What you
need is to pray and work until
the fire burns in your souls so
you can't be still nor have any
peace without having a good
Sunday school and a good live
prayer and praise meeting. If
I were over there I'd have some-
thing going on to boost the
Church of God if I had to do it
all myself. And I see no rea-
son why you can't do it as well
as I. I have known a lone wo-
man to fire the country with
religious enthusiasm. And a
man can do it too, if he will
bestir himself and go at it.

Well, whether you do it or not
it will be done. Some body will
do it. God is raising up multi-
tudes of Elijahs and Peters to
startle this world, and the
cloud-burst of God's power and
glory is sure to break over. The
prayers have already been
prayed but there will be a thou-
sand more. The faith is march-
ing on and the faithful ones are
making preparation for the
deluge. Experience and faith
and power are sure to bring
success. Hallelujah! A shout
for our King! Hurrah! Hurrah!

IN MEMORY OF

ALDRIDGE

On Dec. 22, 1921, the death angel
visited the home of Mrs. Emma Bales
and claimed our mother, Mrs. H. L.
Aldridge, age 65 years. She was ill only
three days.

She was not a member of the
Church of God but was a Christian,
so we weep not as those who have
no hope for we believe mother is
sweetly sleeping in the arms of Je-
sus and by the grace of God we ex-
pect to meet her on that bright eter-
nal shore where parting comes no
more.

She was a faithful wife and loving
mother and will be greatly missed by
all who knew her. She leaves two
sons, three daughters and a host of
relatives and friends to mourn her
death. Her body was laid to rest in
the Pine Grove cemetery to await the
coming of Jesus.

One who loved her,
Annie Sturges,
Live Oak, Fla.

SCOTT

On Dec. 26, 1921, the Lord called
G. S. Scott, age 72 years, 8 months
and 21 days, home to be with Jesus.

He was saved, sanctified and bap-
tized with the Holy Ghost about
twelve years ago. He always attend-
ed the meetings when he could get
there. He said he was going to live
with Jesus and he was often heard
praising the Lord during the time he
was suffering.

We miss him in the home and we
miss him at church. He leaves to
mourn his death a wife, three sons,
two daughters and a host of relatives
and friends.

The funeral was conducted by J. C.
Padgett, with a large attendance.

We miss our father in the home,
But we will meet him some beau-
tiful morn;

We will be happy by and by,
When we meet up in the sky.

And there we will see him in that
land,

With all the happy angel band;
And there we will live up in the sky,
Never more to say, "Good-bye."

His son,
J. T. Scott,
Lake Park, Ga.

PINDER

The death angel visited the home
of Sister Julia Pinder and called her
husband, Brother Thomas Pinder. He
was born in Bahama Islands, June 12,
1857 and died Dec. 26, 1921, age 64
years, 6 months and 14 days.

Brother Pinder received the Holy
Ghost and united with the Church of
God in the year 1915, and was a loyal
member until his death. He suffered
intense pain but was very patient and
praised God through all his suffering.
He was a humble man and everyone
knew he lived the life. He will be
missed by saint and sinner for he was
loved by all who knew him. The
church at Hudson will miss his
sweet testimonies and words of en-
couragement.

He leaves— to mourn his death a
wife, son, daughter, relatives and
friends, but we sorrow not as those
who have no hope, for we believe he
has gone where there is no more
pain.

The funeral services were conducted
by I. H. Marks and his body was
laid to rest in the Elfer's cemetery
to await the coming of Jesus.

One who loved him,
J. H. Knowles,
Hudson, Fla.

NUDING

J. Frank Nuding passed away at his
home near Claremont, Ill., Dec. 29,
1921, age 72 years, 10 months and 19
days. He was survived by his wife,
four sons, three daughters, one brother,
two sisters and a host of relatives
and friends who loved him.

He was converted at the age of six-
teen years, later in life he was sanc-
tified and about seven years ago when
Brother Trim preached the full gos-
pel he was baptized with the Holy
Ghost and spoke in other tongues as

the Spirit gave utterance. He was the
first person in this part of the country
to get the baptism and when the
church was set in order, he was the
first one to be added to it.

He did love the little church at
Bompas Creek and he was always
praying for her to prosper. He was
ordained deacon in 1914, and in 1916
he was appointed class leader and re-
mained faithful until death. We have
seen his face shine many times with
the glory of God, when he would give
interpretations and give wonderful tes-
timonies of afterlife meeting his
Savior who saved him and washed
him in His own blood.

He is gone but not forgotten. I am
sure we will miss his encouraging
words but we expect to see him again.
I had just entered the room when I
heard some one say, "He is gone."

The funeral service was conducted
in the Evangelical church at Olney,
Ill., by the writer. The text was, "He
is not here." The remains were placed
in the Olney cemetery to await the fi-
nal resurrection.

S. O. Gillaspie,
Olney, Ill.

BURKHEAD

Brother Elmer Burkhead of Willis-
burg, Ky., departed this life Jan. 2,
1922, to await the coming of Jesus.
He was saved in July, 1920, and was
sanctified and baptized with the Holy
Ghost in August, 1921. He called the
writer to his bedside the day of his
death to know if he could come into
the Church of God, so he was added
to the church.

He leaves to mourn his death a
wife, one son, three daughters, three
brothers, one sister and a host of rela-
tives and friends.

We weep not as those who have no
hope for we hope to meet him in the
air with the Lord.

The funeral service was conducted
by the writer.

His pastor,
G. B. Edwards.

CARPENTER

The death angel visited our home
Oct. 13, 1921, and took our darling
mother, Sarah Eliza Carpenter, home
to be with Jesus. She was a member
of the Church of God. Through all
her months of suffering, she bore it
with patience and was willing to go
or stay just as the Lord willed it.
Her last words were, "I have fought
a good fight."

She leaves to mourn her death six
daughters, one son, two grandchildren
and a host of relatives and friends,
her husband having preceded her
about two years ago.

Thou art gone, our precious mother,
Though we miss you from our side;
But we know on that bright morn,
We shall meet beyond the tide.

Her oldest daughter,
May Carpenter,
Huntington, W. Va.

HAWORTH

Minnie Eldora Haworth born Oct.
4, 1878, deceased Jan. 16, 1922, aged
42 years, 2 months and 12 days. She
was a native of Green Co., Tenn.,
where her father, William Easterly,
then resided. She was united in holy
bonds of wedlock to D. Weldon
Haworth, May 9, 1900. To this union
were born three children, one son and
two daughters, Ralph E., Vivian M.,
and Mary Ruth.

Soon after her marriage she moved
with her husband to Oklahoma where
they resided for six years, then to
Florida where they remained for an-
other six years and then to the city
of Cleveland, Tenn., where they have
lived for eight years until her death.
She was one of a family of four, two
sons and two daughters, the sister
having preceded her to her long home.

Sister Haworth professed the Chris-
tian religion early in life and united
with the Methodist church of which
she was a faithful member many
years. It was in Tampa, Fla., that
she accepted the doctrine of entire
sanctification and the baptism of the
Holy Ghost and received these bless-
ed experiences. A little while after
she was so wonderfully blest of God,
probably in 1909, she was among the
first in the state of Florida to be ad-
ded to the Church of God, of which
she remained a consistent and faith-
ful member till the day of her de-
parture from this life. The writer
has often witnessed her as she would
stand to give her testimony with her
face shining with glory and her hand
waving above her head quivering with
the power of God. It can be truthfully
said that she lived her religion at
home and wherever the providences
of God placed her.

For about seven years Brother and
Sister Haworth have had the care of
two orphans, sons of her departed
sister, to whom our sister has been a
faithful mother and by which has added
cares and responsibilities to her
home life. Under these cares she acted
the part of a mother without a
murmur and gladly spent her strength
and life in caring for the offspring of
her only sister, besides giving special
attention to her own children.

The departed was a good wife, a
good mother, a good sister to her
brothers and half-brother, a good
Church member, a good neighbor and
a good Christian. No one could say
anything against her. That kind and
gentle voice can almost be heard yet
by those who knew her best. The
Church will miss her, and today we
bow our heads in grief as we look
upon her cold form for the last time.
Her neighbors and friends will miss
her, but above all, the way she will
be missed by husband and children is
indescribable. And little Mary Ruth,
while she doesn't fully understand yet,

O how she will miss mama. There
will be the vacant chair at the
table, the family circle is broken and
at worship, mother's prayer will not
be heard as of yore.

To mourn the loss of Sister Haworth
is left one half-brother, Rome Easterly,
of this city, two brothers, Elvis
Easterly of Greenville, Tenn., Charlie
Easterly of Tampa, Fla., husband, one
son, Ralph, two daughters, Vivian and
little Mary Ruth, the two orphans,
Raymond and William Taylor, and a
host of other relatives and friends.

Yes, our sister is gone, but not for-
gotten. We sorrow indeed, but not as
those who have no hope. Almost the
last words the writer heard her
speak only a few hours before she
passed away were, "I am all right,
I feel good," and as she spoke these
words her face lit up with heavenly
glory. Her sickness was long and
tedious, but she bore all her suffering
calmly and cheerfully. She wanted to
get well, but she was ready to go.
She could say from her heart, the
will of the Lord be done. During her
last hours she was heard to praise
the Lord and feebly sang parts of
some of the beautiful songs of Zion.

Our departed sister will awake some
day, she will not always sleep. At
the call of the first resurrection trumpet
she will hear and come forth and
rise with the living saints to meet
the Lord in the air. But while we
wait we can think of a life well spent
for those she loved and in the ser-
vice of the Lord whom she served so
faithfully.

What could be more appropriate in
closing this writing than to repeat
what was said of Dorcas in apostolic
days, "This woman was full of good
works and alms deeds which she did."

NOTICES

NEW SONG READY

Mrs. S. J. Heath's new song, "There
is a Rainbow, and, Shine O Let it
Shine, combined, is now ready on sale
at the Evangel office. Price 10 cents.
If.

We would like to know the where-
abouts of Sister Maggie Spires, a
member of the church at Kennesaw,
Ga.

Gillie Millwood,
Kennesaw, Ga.

To explain to our agents why their
orders have been delayed, I wish to
say that our Brother Carpenter who
makes these Bible cases and hand
bags has been sick for some time, but
is getting better now and we trust we
will soon be able to fill your orders
promptly.

E. T. Willett and family are now
ready to go out in the work. There
are six in the family and all make
music or sing. The baby, six years
old, sings now. If any body wants their
assistance they will be glad to render
their service. Address them at Green-
ville, Tenn.

I would like to hear from any
Church of God people in Minneapolis
and St. Paul, Minn. I am going to live
in Minneapolis and would like to get
in touch with Church of God people.
Joe Kny,
2447 A. N. Spring,
St. Louis, Mo.

I would like to know the spiritual
condition and address of the follow-
ing: M. Paris, Belle Duncan, Charlie
Gossett, Aggie Bankston and Mattie
Buckalew. Any one knowing their
address, please let me know.

Minnie Nunnery, band leader No. 3,
2 Brandon Ave., Rome, Ga.
2t.

I would like to know the where-
abouts of the following members of
the Church of God here:

Wilbur Tuttle, Joe Bouldin, Bart
Galloway, Lela Roberts, Laura Leight-
on, Guy Tollerson, Maggie Merriam,
Oscar Tollerson, Lizzie Bice.

I would like for the members to
write at once.

Dora Lee Brooks, clerk,
Pell City, Ala.

To the Ministers and Churches in
Texas—Greetings in Jesus' Precious
Name:

I am sure we are all zealous for the
Church of God and want to see her
rise higher and shine brighter in Tex-
as than ever before and in order for
this to be done, we must all stand to-
gether and be one in heart and soul
and be sure we obey them that have
the rule over us.

Let us be sure to comply with all
the rules of the Assembly and I want
to urge the district overseers and pas-
tors to be sure to see that the clerk
and treasurer give all the information
required of them in their monthly re-
ports. They are expected to give the
names and addresses of all the new
members that come in during the
month and also give a report of those
who have been excluded. It has been
advised that the same person serve
as clerk and treasurer, so let us do
our best to carry this out as far as
we are able as both have to give cer-
tain information and it is better for
one to serve as both.

With love and good wishes to all,
I am yours for the Church of God,
H. N. Scoggins, overseer of Texas,
Ladonia, Texas.

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Written by Herself
is the title of a booklet of sixty-one
pages.

This booklet tells of God's power
to deliver a dope-fiend from the power
of the devil, and gives other thrilling
experiences.

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REQUESTS

Sallie Price requests prayer for her
unhappy husband.

Dora Lee Brooks, Pell City, Ala., de-
sires prayer for her left eye to be
healed.

Mrs. Raney, Helena, Ga., asks prayer
for her husband to receive the Holy
Ghost.

Carl A. Weechum, Piper City, Ill.,
asks prayer that he will receive the
Holy Ghost.

Mrs. J. T. Swelley, Ralph, Ala., asks
prayer to be healed. Her eyes and
head cause her much suffering.

Albert Godbey, Keysville, Mo., re-
quests prayer for her health and
that she may be able to work better
for the Lord.

W. J. Baker, Cascilla, Miss., asks the
prayers of all the saints that the
Lord will heal him of fever and
stomach trouble.

Sadie Westberry, Odum, Ga., desires
prayer for her father and mother to
receive the Holy Ghost. Also pray
for her brother and sister.

Mrs. Wallace Hill, Coss Creek, Ky.,
requests prayer that she and her
husband will be filled with the Holy
Ghost.

Mrs. A. F. Stubblefield, Trinity, Tex-
as, wishes prayer for her success
in starting up a Sunday school and
prayer meeting.

Horace Ballard, Talbott, Tenn., wishes
the saints to pray that he will re-
ceive the Holy Ghost and the gift of
interpretation.

Roy Parker, Judsonia, Ark., asks the
saints to make a special day of fast-
ing and prayer for his wife who
is a sinner. She left home last
June.

John Arwood, Roan Mountain, Tenn.,
desires prayer that he might re-
ceive the Holy Ghost. Also for his
little daughter who is vexed with
an evil spirit.

Mrs. Mary Everett, Moorhead, Miss.,
requests prayer for her side and
other troubles. Also pray for her
two sons to be saved, sanctified and
filled with the Holy Ghost.

John Myers, Ft. Leavenworth, Kans.,
desires the saints to pray for the
needs of his family to be supplied
while he is in prison for the gos-
pel's sake.

Sister Mary Mullins, requests the
saints everywhere to pray a spe-
cial prayer for the healing of her
body. She has lung trouble.

Mrs. Flora Smith, Johnston City,
Ill., asks the prayers of all the
saints that God will save, sanctify
and fill her brother with the Holy
Ghost.

Robert Barney, Newland, N. C., asks
the saints everywhere to pray that
he will be healed. Also pray for
the Lord to give them a good revival
at that place.

G. E. Holman, Sparta, Tenn., wants
prayer that he and his wife will be
saved, sanctified and filled with the
Holy Ghost and be reunited. They
are now separated.

Nora Pelt, Idabel, Okla., desires pray-
er for God to place her where she
can have some true Christians to
encourage her. Also pray for a
Church of God to be started up at
that place.

Clara Hall, Mount Victory, Ky., asks
prayer for her mother to be saved
with this everlasting salvation and
that she will be healed of lung trou-
ble.

Mrs. Myra Grant, Sopchoppy, Fla.,
asks prayer for her daughter to
speak plainly in other tongues. Al-
so pray for her son-in-law to be
saved. He left his wife and children.

J. A. J. Purvis, Zolfo, Fla., asks the
people of God to pray that he, his
sisters and brothers and some
friends will be saved, sanctified and
filled with the Holy Ghost. Pray
that he will be healed.

Mrs. Ella Boggs, Bedford City, Va.,
asks all the saints of God to pray
that her husband will be saved,
sanctified and filled with the Holy
Ghost and healed. He prays and
desires the saints to pray.

Mrs. Hortense Ivy, Nola, Miss., re-
quests prayer for a sister's little
girl who apparently has lost her
eyesight in one eye. The child's
mother is a Pentecostal sister and
asks each Holy Ghost person to
fast at least one meal and earnestly
beg God to heal the child's eye.

Mrs. Nora Kennedy, Neck, Mo., wishes
prayer that she might receive the
Holy Ghost and for her son-in-law
who is very sick, to be saved and
healed. Pray for three children of
a holiness family to be healed of
fever and for the Lord to give them
a gracious revival.

NOTICE

Just a word to our agents. In send-
ing your orders for Bible cases, please
specify the size in figures so we will
know what to send you that no mis-
take may occur. So many say to send
a large size or a small size, which
leaves our sales lady at a loss to know
what to do.

ILLINOIS STATE ASSEMBLY

The Illinois State Assembly of the churches of Illinois convened at West Frankfort, Jan. 3-5, 1922. Truly God set His seal of approval on it, for God was with us from the beginning and blessed even the first hymn that was sung.

The Assembly opened on Tuesday with a very good attendance at the first service, considering the bad weather. After songs and music the overseer made a few remarks, then Brother Trim led in prayer which was surely prompted by the Holy Ghost, the whole congregation was moved by the prayer. At the close of the prayer and appointment of committees, an address of welcome was given by the mayor of the city who is also pastor of the Christian church. In his address he certainly made the people feel welcome to the city, not only that but he commended the good work that was being done by the church here. This was followed by a sermon by the overseer. The subject was, Stick to the Doctrine, the text was Deut. 32:2. He emphasized the importance of sticking to the doctrine and especially that which comes from above. Every body seemed built up and encouraged to go on. Some expressed themselves as not having seen it on this fashion before. This was only the first session. The Assembly adjourned for dinner.

At 1:30 P. M. the service was opened by songs and music. There were two sermons, one by Brother John Attey, the subject, Trinity. In this discourse it was made clear that there were three persons in the God-head. This was followed by a sermon by Brother H. L. Trim. His subject was, Justification. Brother Trim sure did do justice to the subject. All mist seemed to banish away from before these servants of the Lord. The afternoon service closed, followed by a real good evangelistic service. At night Brother John O. Yates preached. A number found their way to God.

Wednesday morning it seemed that the Spirit had reached its climax as everybody seemed to be just basking in the sunlight of God's love. At this session Brother Fielden preached a wonderful sermon on Sanctification as a definite work of grace. In the afternoon service, Brother Oglesby preached a sermon on divine healing. This was followed by a healing service and a number of folks were healed by the power of God. Among the number was Brother Willett who had been suffering with rheumatism and injuries sustained while working in the mines, for which cause he has had to use crutches for the past ten months. He was prayed for and healed to the extent that he left his crutches at the church and walks without them. To God be all the glory. There was another wonderful service Wednesday night. Brother Gillaspie preached and the altar was filled with seekers. Our large building was packed to its capacity.

Thursday, the last day of the Assembly, was a great day indeed. The morning was taken up in talks of interest to the children and the Sunday school. Some questions were answered by the overseer. In the afternoon, Brother Stanley Joplin delivered a splendid message on Church Government, which was edifying to all.

We must make mention of the thirty minute talk made by Sister Dame of Sesser, Ill., who has been attending the Bible Training School at Cleveland, Tenn. She displayed much wisdom in rightly dividing the Word of truth. She certainly is appreciated by the churches in Illinois.

This great holy convocation came to a close Thursday night with everybody feeling good. I do not believe, in all my life, I ever felt such love and fellowship as I did in this Assembly. There is no question about it, the preachers of Illinois are stuck together with that white heated love and they just won't separate. Look for them this fall as they come bringing in the SHEAVES. They left this meeting full of grit and grace with a determination to conquer in the name of Him who said, "All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth."

I believe I am speaking the sentiment of all the preachers when I say we are delighted with our overseer. We believe he is a great man of God and we mean to stand by him. I am sure he will stand by us.

With love and good wishes to all the saints everywhere, I beg to remain,

Your servant till Jesus comes or calls,

John Attey, pastor,
West Frankfort, Ill.

Healed of Consumption

Dear Brother Tomlinson, and Evangelic Readers:

I am writing to tell of a sister who had been ill with consumption for four years. Four doctors had given her up to die. They told her husband to move her to a high altitude so he moved her to Dett, W. Va.

The Church of God saints visited her and prayed for her to be healed and she was wonderfully healed. She got up and went on about her work and walked four miles to see her neighbors. She and her husband give God all the glory and praise for her being so wonderfully healed. Mr. Lee Gills, my husband, is a witness to her healing for he was present at the time. Her name is Mrs. Graham and she wanted a notice of her healing to be printed in the Church of God Evangel.

Mrs. Lee Gills,
Pulaski, Va.

Holding up the Standard in New Jersey

Dear Brother Tomlinson, and All the Saints Scattered Abroad—Greetings in Jesus' Dear Name:

We are located here in this wicked city because we were sent here by the Church of God. We feel good about it, too. Wife and I are the only Church of God members in this city, but we are here to hold up the standard to the people.

We are doing our best to secure a place in this city where we can start a meeting but, of course, the enemy is against us in every way that he can be. In the first place, we have no funds to rent a building and besides that, it is hard to rent a place even if one has the money. We are waiting and praying for the Lord to open a way so we can preach the doctrine of Jesus to the people of not only Trenton, but the whole state of New Jersey.

We want all the people of God everywhere to pray to that end. We expect to blow the trumpet and sound the alarm until many thousands in New Jersey know just what the Church is and what she stands for. We would be glad to have a letter from every reader of the Evangel who resides in the states of New Jersey, Delaware, Rhode Island, New Hampshire, Maine, Vermont, Massachusetts and Connecticut. In this way I may be able to learn of a place where there is an opening for a meeting where I could put in some valuable time while I am waiting for an opportunity to charge the enemy here in "Jersey."

We are anxiously waiting for the weather to warm up in the spring when we will be joined by Brother and Sister Ash of Eldorado, Ill. Then we will begin a pitched battle in a large gospel tent against the powers of the wicked one. We are expecting great things from the Church of God in this state.

Our Lord has never failed us and said, "I am with you always, even unto the end of the world." This passage of Scripture with many others have encouraged us on many occasions and we are still living on the "Word" eating the honey right out of the rock. Our souls are flooded with glory from day unto day. We have joy unspeakable and full of glory—meat to eat that the world knows not of. We are very anxious for the people in these eastern states who have not yet heard of this good way to have the same kind of experience.

May the God of all grace be with all who read this little letter and if any of our friends should like to write us, their letters will be received and gladly welcomed at the address below.

With lots of love and many good wishes we are as ever thine for the salvation of souls.

T. S. Payne and wife,
313 Perry St.,
Trenton, N. J.

REPORTS

We began a meeting at Bude, Miss., Dec. 26th and closed Jan. 2nd with good success. Brother G. G. Williams is pastor and he has a band of saints that are shouting the victory. They surely love their pastor and appreciate anyone who brings the full gospel to them.

The dear Lord began to work in the first service and the interest continued to increase until the close. There were 11 saved, 10 sanctified, 8 baptized with the Holy Ghost and 10 were added to the church. Many were interested during the meeting that had never been interested in this way before. Pray for the dear ones there to keep pressing on.

We are in the evangelistic work this year and are now open for calls. Any one desiring a meeting, write to M. S. Haynes, Box 273, Kentwood, La. We have our instruments and can furnish the music for the meeting.

We desire the prayers of the saints that God's approval will be upon our work.

Yours in His service,
M. S. Haynes, wife and daughter,
G. G. Williams, pastor.

Brother S. S. Monroe, our district overseer, and Brother Jesse Danenhower held a seven days meeting at this place. The Lord's supper and feet washing were observed Sunday night. The church at Cherry Valley, Ark., was disbanded and set in order at this place with eleven members. The Lord blessed in giving out His Word and the saints were edified.

This is a hard place and the Church of God has many opposers, but we know that God has promised to hear the prayers of His children, so we are still calling on Him to raise up a band here that will shine for Him through eternity. We have not become discouraged but rather encouraged to press the battle on and gain the victory.

This part of Arkansas is badly in need of the pure Gospel and if any Church of God minister desires to come to this place and knows he can stand hardships and persecutions, we would be glad to have him come and help us.

We desire an interest in the prayers of the Evangelic family.

Your sister in Christ,
Viola Horton, clerk,
Box 13, Vandalia, Ark.

1922 CALENDARS.

We have in stock the 1922 edition of the Christian Life Calendar. Every month shows a beautiful Bible colored picture, and it gives a Scripture verse for every day. They are much nicer to have hanging on the wall in the home than calendars that advertise medicine and other things inappropriate for a Christian home. Price \$2.00 each, postpaid. Order of Evangelic Office.

Filled With Great Joy

Dear Brother Tomlinson:

Just a few lines of confession which I have been neglecting for some time regarding a letter, together with my report as secretary of Sunday school and clerk and treasurer of the Church of God at Live Creek. I was appointed by Brother M. S. Haynes to the above office, also as deacon. If I am not mistaken in my report of Aug., 1921, I wrote that I would not be considered with any of the offices nor would I have fellowship with the tongue movement, but long since have I begged God and confessed to Brother Haynes by letter, and the Live Creek church to forgive me. I have been rectifying any thing I said that would discourage in the least and I expect to continue doing so. I am sure God has chastised me enough and has forgiven me.

I have the blessing that I received in the Church of God at Kentwood that I prize above the blood that flows through my body. This blessing of the Holy Ghost is found nowhere else. Praise God, I expect to live and die in this good old way. It is sweeter now than ever. I love the Church of God and her overseers from the least to the greatest and her government is my delight.

I would say that God worked in a mysterious way in saving my family and me. My twelve year old daughter was converted first, then my wife, next my fourteen year old son. Then I had to give way to God's man who was waging the battle against sin and the devil. I was saved under Brother Lemon's preaching. I became so uneasy about my soul I tried to stay away from services but I know God was in the man that had been pounding the life, it seemed, out of me. I was afraid not to yield to the Spirit. I thought of some other holiness people and the enemy tried to get me to compromise by saying, "Your father and mother are in that reformation, you have many cousins in it and if you will live up to that faith you will be alright. You will lose friends even in your own family if you get this shouting, dancing and talking in tongues religion," but by this time the power of the Holy Ghost was seizing men, women and children and God saw that I had an honest heart.

I was forty years old and had never belonged to any religious sect. My appetite, sleep and rest all left me at once. God pulled away the curtain that Satan had pulled down between me and the blessing and oh, everything looked so much better. I was sick, crippled from a railroad wreck for over a year. When Brother Lemons made the altar call I never had such a feeling in my life. It seemed that if I had not gone to the altar that night, God's Spirit would have forever taken its flight. The moment I left my seat it seemed that I saw Jesus standing with outstretched hands and I seemed to hear Him say, "Come unto me with your load of sin, I will forgive you." In a short time I was filled with great joy and I forgot my wife, children, friends and what folks would say and I began seeking for the Holy Ghost.

I received the Holy Ghost and was shouting and talking with tongues when I noticed one of my daughters was shouting all over the place. This is the blessing that is obtained only through accepting the gospel of Jesus Christ and you can get it nowhere outside the Church of God for other folks will not have it and if they want it they will come this way after it.

I can safely say as for me and my house, we are for the Lord. We belong to the Church of God and are going to do what we can for her, both spiritually and financially. We love her and her doctrine. Praise the Lord for this blessing!

I humbly ask you and the Church to forgive me and pray for us at this place.

Your brother in the body of Christ,
H. L. Hilburn,
Stephenson, Miss.

SPECIAL NOTICE

To Whom This May Concern:

Any minister, clerk or member wishing a notice, request, report or any writing to be printed in the Evangelic of a certain date should send writing to the Evangelic office at least two weeks before that date, to assure getting it in the paper on the date desired. This applies more especially to notices of meetings and requests for the sick.

Not the Least Tired of the Way

Dear Brother Tomlinson, and All the Saints in Christ Jesus—Greetings in His Name:

I want to sound a note of praise to my dear Redeemer. This day finds me still saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost, speaking in other tongues according to Acts 2:4. I praise Him also for adding me to the dear old Church of God, which will stand for ever.

I have been in this way for a little over four years, and I can say I am not the least tired of it, but it grows sweeter every day. Although I have many hard trials to go through, I know if I hold on to God's unchanging hand it will be better a little further on. If we want to reign with Christ, we must suffer with Him, too. How I do thank God for such a man as Brother Tomlinson, if there were many more such men it sure would be a blessing to live in this world.

Your sister in Christ,
Gertie Hickerson,
White Bluff, Tenn.

God's Power Was Seen and Felt

God is blessing, saving and doing all the people will let Him do in Detroit, Mich. Oh, how kind He is to us when we stop to count His blessings.

New Year's eve we had a watch meeting, then on Sunday night we observed the Lord's supper and feet washing. God's power was felt and seen. Some were laughing and singing and some were weeping, just to think we were doing what our Lord told us we ought to do.

Many of His children say they are searching the Scriptures and I believe they are, but they fail to believe after they have read and searched them. We must believe unto righteousness even to the doing of the Word of God and if we keep His sayings this proves that we love Him. We want to be above the devils in Jesus' day, they believed what Jesus said but we never read where one ever obeyed in the doing of His Word. I feel good in my soul now. It is the doing of these things that makes you happy if you know them.

The church is growing and God is sweetly drawing us on. We have a good pastor and he is very earnest in all that he does. Brother Jameson and wife have been so faithful ever since God let the light of the Church of God dawn on him away out in Redford, a small suburb. We were praying for a Church of God preacher, that is how it happened.

We are looking for the answer of Jesus' prayer to make us all one. If we walk in the light, (and His Word is a lamp and light to our feet) as He is in the light, then we will have fellowship, not with God alone, but with one another too. Praise Him for He is coming soon.

Mrs. C. E. Reed,
Detroit, Mich.

Wants to be Willing to Die for Jesus

Dear Brother Tomlinson, and All the Dear Saints—Greetings in Jesus' Dear Name:

I want to praise my blessed Savior for His many blessings and for His great healing power. About eleven weeks ago my little boy had dropsy and couldn't walk any where, he couldn't wear shoes of any kind. I prayed daily for his healing and he would seem to improve at times. Some of the people at Florence told me that the doctor would make him take medicine if he were to see him; but he didn't take even a dose of any kind of medicine. I told the dear Lord, that if He would heal him I would testify to His glory and honor, and I am doing my best, praise His sweet name. Jesus is dearer to me tonight than all the wealth of the world.

Dear saints, pray for me that I may get the baptism of the Holy Ghost. Also pray that I may be humble and do God's will at all times. I want to be as willing to die for my Savior as He was to die for me on the shameful cross. I am here among strangers, no one to talk to about my loving Savior. Pray that God may send some Spirit filled Church of God preacher here as this is a needy field. May the richest blessings of heaven rest upon you all.

Geo. Llewellyn,
Ethridge, Tenn.

Victory Over Sin and the Devil

Dear Brother Tomlinson, and All the Saints of God—Greetings in Jesus' Name:

I praise God for His plan of salvation. I also praise Him for saving me from sin, sanctifying and baptizing me with the Holy Ghost, with the evidence of speaking in other tongues. I praise Him for adding me to the great Church of God, and for the way of holiness where no unclean thing shall walk thereon. I thank God for victory over sin and the devil.

I thank God for the Evangelic, it is food to my soul. I desire the prayers of all the saints that I may stand true to God.

Your sister in Christ,
Hanna Byrd,
McCall Creek, Miss.

Determined to Press on in the Battle

Dear Brother Tomlinson—Greetings in the Precious Name of Jesus:

I am praising God, for tonight finds me on victory side. I am still saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost and still determined to go on till Jesus comes or calls.

I do thank and praise Him, for the way He is pouring out His Spirit with the mighty power. On the night of Nov. 29th we had meeting and the power of the Holy Spirit was wonderfully manifested, the saints shouted and danced. One sister danced with a hot lamp chimney in her hands. Had a good time at Green Turtle Cay. Although Satan is fighting hard against us on every side, we are determined to press the battle until the end; though the fight be hard and long and the enemy be strong, yet we are determined to go through in Jesus' power and might.

Pray for us that we may grow stronger in faith day by day for we are in the glorious Church of God, about which Jesus told Peter, "Upon this rock I will build my church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it."

Your brother,
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A MIGHTY SHAKING

(Apocalypse, Chap. 6:12-17)

F. J. Lee

Ques. What does the King James' version give as taking place at the opening of the sixth seal?

Ans. It says, "There was a great earthquake."

Ques. How does the Syriac version give it?

Ans. It says, "There was a great movement."

Ques. From the fact that a great movement takes place, does this imply that it is in the earth alone?

Ans. No. This great shaking includes the earth and heavens above.

Ques. What does Hagai say of this shaking?

Ans. He said, God "will shake the heavens, and the earth, the sea and the dry land." Hag. 2:6.

Ques. What does the writer of Hebrews say of this?

Ans. He said, "Whose voice then shook the earth; but now he hath promised, saying, Yet once more I shake not the earth only, but also heaven." Heb. 12:26.

Ques. What do these Scriptures show?

Ans. They show that the quaking doesn't apply to the earth alone, but to the heavens above also.

Ques. What did this disturbance in the heavens as well as the earth, cause to take place?

Ans. It caused the sun to darken, the moon to appear as blood, the stars to fall and the heavens to depart as a scroll.

Ques. Was not the dark day of May 19, 1780, this very event?

Ans. No. Everything in Revelation from the fourth chapter is to take place after the resurrection and rapture, unless otherwise specified. Read chap. 4:1.

Ques. What did Joel say of this shaking?

Ans. "The Lord also shall roar out of Zion, and utter his voice from Jerusalem; and the heavens and the earth shall shake; but the Lord will be the hope of his people, and the strength of the children of Israel." Joel 3:16.

Ques. What else did he say?

Ans. He said, "The sun and the moon shall be darkened, and the stars shall withdraw their shining." Verse 15.

Ques. When will this take place?

Ans. It will take place after a great war. Joel 3:9-14.

Ques. When was this war to take place?

Ans. He said it would take place at the time the Jews were returning to Jerusalem and in "those days."

Ques. What did he mean by those days and the gathering of the nations to war in those days?

Ans. The third chapter is a continuation of the second chapter, therefore, we will have to go back to the latter part of the second chapter to find out what those days were.

Ques. Alright, what do we find that those days were?

Ans. The latter part of the second chapter of Joel teaches that there is to be an outpouring of the Holy Ghost which was to take place not only at Pentecost, but even near the time that the sun be darkened and the moon turned into blood. Chap. 2:28-31.

Ques. Has the Lord been pouring out the Spirit in a special manner here in these last days?

Ans. Yes. Tens of thousands have received the Holy Ghost as at Pentecost.

Ques. Has the great war yet taken place since the outpouring of the Spirit as Jesus said, nation against nation

and kingdom against kingdom? Luke 21:10.

Ans. Yes. The great war just closed and the returning of the Jews are the events that were to follow the outpouring of the Holy Ghost.

Ques. Then can we not see that the dark day of 1780, which affected only a few New England states, is not the dark day of the sixth chapter of Revelation?

Ans. Yes. I am persuaded that every close observer of the Word and history can see this.

Ques. What other two events accompany the darkening of the sun?

Ans. The stars fall and the heavens separate as a scroll. Syriac.

Ques. Has the heaven separated as a scroll and the sign of the Son of man appeared since the dark day in 1780?

Ans. No, though some teach that the falling of the stars (meteors) of 1833 was this event and Jesus came in 1844, invisibly, it is evident that every eye shall see Him when He comes and those who are here will cry for the rocks and mountains to fall upon them to hide them from His face. Chap. 6:16.

Ques. Does the Lord really come when the rich men, bond men and free men see Him on the throne and they are crying for the rocks and mountains to fall upon them to hide them from His face?

Ans. No. He doesn't come even at that time and perhaps will not come for twelve months after the events of the 6th chapter for the scorpions are to sting men for five months after the opening of the seventh seal. Jesus will not come till the 19th chapter. He comes on a white horse and all the saints with Him. Rev. 19:14; Zech. 14:5.

Ques. What does the crying out of all classes of people and even trying to hide from the face of the Lord mean?

Ans. It means that they have lost confidence in their false security, their many religions.

Ques. What is the only safe plan?

Ans. Take on the whole armour. Eph. 6:13.

Ques. Is this the last great earthquake during the tribulation?

Ans. No, at least two more still greater ones will take place.

Ques. What happens in a great earthquake?

Ans. It appears like the whole earth is in motion, houses fall down, even cities. Lisbon was nearly all thrown down and in six minutes six thousand persons perished. The earth opened up and many were swallowed up by the earth. It is said that ninety thousand persons were destroyed during the day.

Ques. How will this compare with the shaking spoken of in Rev. 6?

Ans. Nothing to compare. This is called the great day of the Lord. Verse 17. Every mountain and island will be moved out of their places, verse 14, and the heavens greatly shaken. So the sixth seal is not yet opened.

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A FRIENDLY DISCUSSION

J. P. Hughes.

This article is prepared in the form of a discussion among a party of three. The discourse is for the benefit of the second party who seeks light on the subject and listens to the arguments of the first and third parties, making up his mind at the conclusion. The first member of the party tries with his philosophy and vain words to keep the second in darkness, but the third party presents to him the Word of truth rightly divided which proves a lamp unto his feet and a light unto his pathway. Psa. 119: 105.

We will name the members of the party as follows:

1. Mr. Vain Words.
2. Mr. Search Light.
3. Mr. Whole Truth.

Mr. V. W.—Good morning, Mr. Search Light, your eyes are red and swollen as if you have been losing sleep or reading a great deal.

Mr. S. L.—Yes, Mr. Vain Words, I have been losing sleep and also reading a good deal of late. I have become interested and somewhat perplexed about a certain statement in the Bible and have been trying to satisfy my mind about it from a scriptural standpoint.

Mr. V. W.—Well, Mr. Search Light, I am glad to know that you are interested in Bible subjects, but let me warn you against too much study on any one subject as it is not good to read so much. The wise man tells us in Ec. 12:12, "And much study is a weariness of the flesh," so by studying too much you will injure your health.

Mr. S. L.—Very well, Mr. Vain Words, it is true that much study is a weariness of the flesh, but I read where the apostle Paul wrote to Timothy on this wise, "Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth." 2 Tim. 2:15. I also read in the same letter that "All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness: That the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works." 2 Tim. 3:16.

I learn from this that it is profitable for me, as a Christian worker and a man of God, to study to rightly divide the word of truth. Therefore, I am willing to suffer the weariness of the flesh if I can show myself approved unto God.

Mr. V. W.—I see you are deeply interested in the Bible, Mr. Search Light, and I shall be glad if I can help you in any way to the satisfying of your mind on your subject. If you care at this time to discuss it, probably I can give you some information. You know that I am a D. D. and have the name of being one of the best logicians in the whole country.

Mr. S. L.—I thank you, Mr. Vain Words, for your kindness and I will gladly accept any information that you can give me. But here comes my friend, Mr. Whole Truth, who is a very considerate man and stands for the whole Bible rightly divided. Let us ask him to join us in the discourse. The wise man tells us in Prov. 11:14, "But in the multitude of counsellors there is safety," so we will probably reach a safer conclusion to hear his views on the subject.

Mr. Vain Words, please make the acquaintance of my friend, Mr. Whole Truth.

Mr. V. W.—I am very glad to meet you, Mr. Whole Truth. I have heard of you but have never had the opportunity of making your acquaintance.

Our mutual friend, Mr. Search Light, tells me that he is somewhat bothered about a certain Bible subject. He and I were just talking of discussing it as you came up and he suggested that we ask you to join us in the discourse.

Mr. W. T.—To be sure I will for there is nothing that I take more delight in than considering the Bible, but before we take up the subject I will suggest that, in our discourse, each of us keep sweet and pleasant no matter what plainness may be used in presenting the truth upon the subject under discussion.

Mr. V. W.—Certainly, we must keep cool headed for this is to be a friendly discussion. Give us the subject, Mr. Search Light, and what you have to say about it.

Mr. S. L.—Gentlemen, the subject that I am most interested in just now is the words of Jesus as is quoted by the apostle in Mark 16:17, "They shall speak with new tongues." The reason I am so perplexed about it is because there is so much opposition in the different churches to speaking with tongues and still the movement is sweeping the country and some of the best people I ever knew speak with tongues and are adherents of that doctrine.

Now as I am at this time more vitally interested in this question than either of you and I know my desire is to hear the truth upon this subject, therefore, I propose that each of you present your respective arguments and let me make up my mind at the conclusion. Are you willing to this?

Since you both signify your willingness we will first hear Mr. Vain Words present his argument.

Mr. V. W.—Since I have been granted the privilege of being first to present my argument on this subject I will now frankly proceed. I am sure that when I am through that Mr. Search Light will have all the information he will need on the subject. But, of course, we shall expect to hear Mr. Whole Truth present his argument also.

I wish to say first that I do not believe

in speaking with tongues and I am greatly astonished at such a broad minded man as our friend, Mr. Search Light, becoming interested in such nonessentials as tongues. It is true that they spoke with tongues on the day of Pentecost but there were present at Jerusalem that time, men out of every nation under heaven. Acts 2:5. God let them speak with tongues then so that every nation might hear the gospel and they heard it, therefore, it is useless to speak with tongues today as the gospel has gone forth and we have no such assemblies as were at Jerusalem at that time.

The Word of God declares in most unmistakable terms that speaking with tongues is of little importance. In the list given in 1 Cor. 12:10, the kinds of tongues are put next to the bottom of the list of gifts bestowed by the Spirit on believers. Again in verses 29 and 30 of the same chapter, speaking with tongues is given the same place next to the bottom of the list. Furthermore, at 1 Cor. 14:5, we are distinctly told that he that prophesieth is greater than he that speaketh with tongues.

From the Scriptures it will clearly be seen that speaking with tongues is nonessential. But the most emphatic statement I could make to prove to you that tongues are not for our day is—God has said that tongues shall cease and they have.

Now, Mr. Search Light, why do you want to bother your mind about tongues when God has said they should cease and you know that His Word is true? If I can prove to you by the Bible that tongues have ceased, then why should you give the thought any more place in your mind? Dismiss it. Don't think about the good people that pretend they speak with tongues but think of the inconsistency of it. Ask yourself this question, What would I look like standing before a congregation speaking something that they or myself either did not understand? Away with such stuff, it is nonsense.

Let us see what the Bible says about the tongues ceasing. Go with me to 1 Cor. 13:8-10, "Charity never faileth: but whether there be prophecies, they shall fail; whether there be tongues, they shall cease; whether there be knowledge, it shall vanish away. For we know in part, and we prophesy in part. But when that which is perfect is come, then that which is in part (tongues) shall be done away."

We have learned from a Bible standpoint that "when that which is perfect is come then that which is in part (tongues) shall be done away," just as God's Word has said, "They shall cease." When I have proved to you, my friend, that that which is perfect has come, I am sure it will satisfy your mind on the subject and prove to you that tongues are not for our day. Let us turn to Rev. 22:18, 19, and read.

"For I testify unto every man that heareth the words of the prophecy of this book, If any man shall add unto these things, God shall add unto him the plagues that are written in this book: And if any man shall take away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God shall take away his part out of the book of life, and out of the holy city, and from the things which are written in this book."

From this Scripture it may be clearly seen that that which is perfect has come and you, Mr. Search Light, surely can see that God's Word has been fulfilled concerning that which is in part (tongues) and that they have ceased. The book of Revelation is the completion of the New Testament and is so perfect that nothing can be added or taken away that would make it more complete. Any one adding to or taking from that which is so perfect will bring upon themselves the wrath of God.

The apostles did not have the New Testament on the day of Pentecost for it had not been written. So they spoke with tongues the wonderful works of God. But now the New Testament tells us of God's work and tongues have ceased.

Mr. Search Light is almost overcome by Mr. Vain Words.

Mr. S. L.—You have made a very strong presentation of your argument. Mr. Vain Words. I must concede the fact that from your logic it seems most certain that tongues were for the apostles only and since we have the New Testament that they (tongues) are of such little importance that they have been done away. But before I make my final conclusion I must hear the argument of Mr. Whole Truth.

Mr. Whole Truth's Argument

Mr. W. T.—The argument presented by Mr. Vain Words is very subtle and calculated to convince almost every mind except the mind of him who insists on squaring all teachings by the great truth of God's Word rightly divided.

In the very outset, I perceive that I am confronted with the public opinion educated largely against my position. In this connection we are reminded of the truthful sayings of the poet:

Truth forever on the scaffold, wrong forever on the throne,—

Yet that scaffold sways the future, and behind the dim unknown, Standeth God within the shadow keeping watch above His own.

Truth ultimately must prevail and I am confident that truth in God's due time will prevail and error will be forever dethroned.

Before I proceed further with my side of the question, Mr. Search Light, I wish to read two verses from the Bible, the which you will do well at this time to hear as a warning message.

"Let no man deceive you with vain words: for because of these things cometh the wrath of God upon the children of disobedience." Eph. 5:6.

"Beware lest any man spoil you through philosophy and vain deceit,

after the tradition of men, and after the rudiments of the world, and not after Christ." Col. 2:8.

As we go through the channel of truth, there are two shoals that we must avoid and they are on the opposite sides of the channel. The one is the shoal of Literalization and the other is the shoal of Spiritualization.

Our friend, Mr. Vain Words, has been so literal in his discourse that he has failed to rightly divide the Word of truth or give you one bit of soul food from the Scripture he has presented. You will also find some who go to such extreme lengths in spiritualizing and mystifying the Word of God as to utterly destroy its original force and meaning. You stated in the outset that you desired the truth on this subject, but I must say that you have heard philosophy and vain words instead of the truth.

Mr. Vain Words said in the outset of his argument that he did not believe in speaking with tongues. Of course, that is why he failed to give you the truth on the subject. Unbelief of the truth will keep any one in ignorance and darkness and make them of the same type that the apostle Paul said he was while in unbelief: a blasphemer, a persecutor and injurious. 1 Tim. 1:13.

"If they speak not according to this word, it is because there is no light in them." Isa. 8:20. Although Mr. Vain Words is in darkness and does not believe in speaking with tongues, that does not change the Bible, nor will it keep those who do believe from speaking with tongues for Jesus said, "They shall speak with new tongues." Mark 16:17.

"And it came to pass, that, while Apollos was at Corinth, Paul having passed through the upper coasts came to Ephesus: and finding certain disciples, He said unto them, Have ye received the Holy Ghost since ye believed?" Acts 19:1-2.

We read in Acts 19:6, "And when Paul had laid his hands upon them, the Holy Ghost came on them; and they spake with tongues, and prophesied. Why! because they were believers.

Mr. Vain Words made the statement that God's Word declares in most unmistakable terms that speaking with tongues is of little importance. God's Word does not declare any such thing and his argument is with no foundation and will not stand when truth is placed upon it. The only proof he gave that the Bible teaches that speaking with tongues is of little importance was that tongues is placed at the bottom of the list of gifts as is quoted in 1 Cor. 12:10, 29, 30. And Paul declares that "greater is he that prophesieth than he that speaketh with tongues." 1 Cor. 14:5.

Let us place truth upon his theory and see it topple over. We will ask Paul and see what he says about the place anything takes in Scripture, rendering it of little importance. Go with me to 1 Cor. 13:13, and we will see what is spoken of there as being the greatest and also what place it occupies in the list, "And now abideth faith, hope, charity, these three; but the greatest of these is charity."

I am persuaded that Mr. Vain Words with his logic or ignorance I should say, would have us believe that Paul was mistaken when he said that charity is the greatest because it is placed at the bottom of the list. Away with his theory of tongues being of little importance because they are placed at the bottom of the list of spiritual gifts spoken of in 1 Cor. 12:8-10. It is like the rest of his logic, foreign to the truth. When he quoted Paul's statement, "Greater is he that prophesieth than he that speaketh with tongues," as a proof that tongues are of little importance, he did not quote the entire verse which plainly shows that Paul did not infer that speaking with tongues is of little importance but teaches clearly that tongues and prophecy go together but tongues should be left off except when interpreted.

"I would that ye all spake with tongues but rather that ye prophesied: for greater is he that prophesied than he that speaketh with tongues, except he interpret, that the church may receive edifying." 1 Cor. 14:5.

In this chapter, the apostle Paul teaches the lesson of order in the church and that each member should seek to edify the other rather than himself. After Paul had given the lesson of divine order and government in the church he concludes by saying, "But if any man be ignorant, let him be ignorant. Wherefore, (because some will be ignorant) brethren, covet to prophesy, and forbid not to speak with tongues." 1 Cor. 14:38, 39.

As the apostle with his prophetic eye looked down even to this age he could see the world full of people that were blinded by sin and so ignorant of God's eternal truth that they could not understand even the plain teaching about tongues. Nevertheless, he wanted the brethren to prophesy and speak with tongues. Why? Because, to be a legal New Testament prophet (preacher) one must first be baptized with the Holy Ghost and speak with tongues as the evidence. Luke 24:49; Acts 1:4, 5; 2:4.

Next we will notice Mr. Vain Words last and most unmistakable proof that tongues are not for our day. "God has said tongues shall cease and they have." The statement they have is incorrect, and any unprejudiced man with a sane mind knows and will acknowledge that it is.

According to Webster's dictionary "a language" is the definition of the word tongue. I do not know what a man thinks the word could mean when he says tongues have ceased. He surely has gotten up a better dictionary than Webster's which has been the standard dictionary of this country since the year 1828.

It is dogmatical that tongues are languages and if tongues have ceased,

there are no languages and the many people of earth are without speech. Another proof—if tongues have ceased, knowledge has vanished away and the people of the world are not only a jabbering kind of beings without articulation but are also without knowledge and in heathenism today. Would you believe that we are living in a heathen world where no one knows any thing about God? If you accept the theory that tongues have ceased you will also have to accept the other, knowledge has vanished away.

We again quote the gentleman's statement and give his reference, "God has said that tongues shall cease and they have." 1 Cor. 13:8-10. "Charity never faileth: but whether there be prophecies, they shall fail; whether there be tongues, they shall cease; whether there be knowledge, it shall vanish away. For we know in part, and we prophesy in part. But when that which is perfect is come, then that which is in part shall be done away."

Here the gentlemen stopped reading for he well knew that if he read the remaining part of the chapter he would hang himself with his own rope so he tried to save himself by jumping over to the Isle of Patmos and taking up the apostle John's statement in Rev. 22:18, 19, "For I testify unto every man that heareth the words of the prophecy of this book, If any man shall add unto these things, God shall add unto him the plagues that are written in this book: And if any man shall take away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God shall take away his part out of the book of life, and out of the holy city, and from the things which are written in this book."

Mr. Vain Words used this Scripture to prove to you that that which is perfect is come and that which is in part "Tongues" has been done away. He bases his argument on the perfection of the book of Revelation and said that it is what Paul meant when he said, "But when that which is perfect is come, then that which is in part shall be done away."

It is almost useless to say that the gentleman has either shown his dishonesty or ignorance of the Bible, as every Bible reader knows that Paul did not have reference to the book of Revelation or even the New Testament when he said, "When that which is perfect is come." Such an application is ridiculous.

Of course the book of Revelation is perfect, but is no more so than the rest of the Bible for it is a perfect book and much of it was written before the apostle Paul took his pen to write.

As we have previously quoted 1 Cor. 13:8-10, and Mr. Vain Words reference by which he tried to prove that tongues have ceased we will now proceed with the 11th and 12th verses, that he was so afraid of. These verses are self explanatory and will prove that he perverts Scripture when he says, "The book of Revelation is that which is perfect, that Paul speaks of and when it came, that which is in part (tongues) was done away."

"When I was a child, I spake as a child, I understood as a child, I thought as a child: but when I became a man, I put away childish things." The apostle could see quite a difference in himself after he had grown away from childhood and became a man so he uses the illustration to show that there will be a complete change after that which is perfect shall come.

"For now we see through a glass, darkly; but then (after that which is perfect shall come) face to face: now I know in part; but then (after that which is perfect shall come) shall I know even as also I am known." Notice the apostle uses the terms now and then which plainly shows that it is still in the future when that which is perfect shall come.

There are diverse kinds of perfection such as angelic, divine, Christian and resurrection perfection. Often we hear the expression such as, a perfect beauty, a perfect book, a perfect pattern etc. But Paul does not have reference to a perfection of this kind in 1 Cor. 13:10. It is evident that he has reference to the resurrection perfection for he said, "Then shall I know even as also I am known." Mr. Vain Words or any other mortal man with all the logic and skill that man's wisdom can comprehend will never know as God knows him; but when that which is perfect (the immortal) shall come; then shall he know even as also he is known.

In connection with the Scripture we have just read, let us turn to Phil. 3:11, 12, and notice what the apostle says about that which is perfect and at what time it shall come. "If by any means I might attain unto the resurrection of the dead. Not as though I had already attained, either were already perfect; but I follow after, for that I may apprehend that for which also I am apprehended of Christ Jesus (or if that I may know even as also I am known)."

It is evident that it was not Christian, but resurrection perfection that the apostle spoke of when he said, "Not as though I had already attained, either were already perfect," for we read in his epistle to the church at Thessalonica these words, "Ye are witnesses, and God also, how holily and justly and unblameably we behaved ourselves among you that believed." 1 Thes. 2:10.

The epistle to the Thessalonians was written about ten years before the one that was written to the Philippians in which he stated that he was not already perfect. As we cannot believe that the apostle Paul ever backslid in the least we will have to rightly divide the Word of truth and concede that it is the resurrection perfection that he spoke of when he said he was not already perfect and also when he said, "But when that which

is perfect shall come, then that which is in part shall be done away."

Now, Mr. Search Light, as you said in the outset that you desired the truth upon the subject, I have tried to deal with it in a plain simple way. I have given you nothing but the Bible which of course is the truth and when rightly divided it will clear away the darkness that vain words, philosophy and vain deceit have placed upon its teaching.

I believe that you are now able to see the inconsistency of Mr. Vain Words' argument but in conclusion I want to give you the Syriac translation of 1 Cor. 13:8-10, the Scripture that he bases his argument on that tongues have ceased. Also Phil. 3:11, 12, "Love will never cease. But prophecies will end; and tongues will be silent; and knowledge will vanish. For we know but partially; and we prophesy but partially. But when completeness shall come, then that which is partial will vanish away." 1 Cor. 13:8-10.

"If so be, I may attain to the resurrection from the dead. Not as though I had already taken the prize, or were already complete; but I run in the race, if so I may take that for which Jesus the Messiah took me." Phil. 3:11, 12.

The apostle is dealing with the same subject in both of the above Scriptures in which he shows the power and glory of the first resurrection, the prize that he was striving so hard to attain.

It is plain to be seen that prophecies shall fail, tongues shall cease and knowledge shall vanish away all at the same time. Then it is that the spirit of man returns to God who gave it and he is left a corruptible body to return to dust. But the time will come when the corruptible shall put on incorruption (or perfection) and use a spiritual body capable of seeing face to face and knowing as also he is known.

Mr. Search Light's conclusion

Mr. S. L.—Gentlemen, I thank you for the presentation of this matter. I have followed your argument with keen interest. As I listened to that of Mr. Vain Words it seemed so plausible that I was almost persuaded but when I came to compare it with the Word of God when rightly divided, I am constrained to use the words of St. Paul, "Let God be true, but every man a liar." Rom. 3:4. Since I was converted I have loved the truth of God's Word. Many of its deep questions I have been unable to understand but have earnestly sought to its Author for light and understanding. As I have listened to the presentation of this subject, I have received great enlightenment. I believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, therefore, I should speak with tongues for He said, "They (believers) shall speak with new tongues." Mark 16:17. I do not believe that tongues have ceased neither do I believe they are of little importance. But I do believe that all who are baptized with the Holy Ghost will speak with tongues and I know that it is very important that every one should be baptized with the Holy Ghost. For it is Jesus that baptizes with the Holy Ghost. Matt. 3:11. And He does not do any thing that is light or of little importance. Therefore, I shall tarry until I have been baptized with the Holy Ghost and speak with tongues. Amen.

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Yours in Christ,
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Your sister under the blood,
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